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## REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated December 2, 1999, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-11 and 15-17), drawn to a vaccine/immunogenic composition, are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the invention of Group II (Claims 12-14) and Group III (Claims 18-19). Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the Groups II and III inventions.

Respectfully submitted,

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